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In re Application of:)
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Application No.: 09/976,033) Group Art Unit: 2654
Filed: October 15, 2001) Examiner: Donald G. Young
For: APPARATUS AND METHOD)
OF SPEECH RECOGNITION)
WHICH ACQUIRES SIMILARITIES)
BETWEEN INPUT SPEECH AND)
STORED OBJECT WORDS)
(As Amended))

Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Customer Window, Mail Stop Amendment
Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

SUBMISSION OF REPLACEMENT DRAWING SHEETS

Filed herewith are twelve (12) replacement sheets of patent drawings containing thirteen (13) figures. It is requested that these drawings be approved and made part of the official record in the above-identified patent application.

The attached Replacement Drawing Sheets, which include all of the Figs. 1-13 in this application, replace the previously filed-drawings sheets. In these Replacement Drawing Sheets, Figs. 1, 4 and 5 have been amended to replace all occurrences of "VOICE" with --SPEECH-- in response to the Examiner's comments at page 2, section 2 of the Office Action.

It is respectfully submitted that these changes introduce no new matter as they conform to the specification and/or drawings as originally filed, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.81(d).

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of these drawings, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-0573. If a fee is required for an extension and the fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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